

SRI C.M. ARUMUGHAM.—Under Class I, how many were appointed after 1950?

SRI K.H. SRINIVAS.—I don't have that break up. I want a separate notice.

SRI C.M. ARUMUGHAM.—Sir, under Class I, it is 721 and the percentage of SCs is only 0.83. What are the reasons for the inadequate representation under Class I?

SRI K.H. SRINIVAS.—The usual reason has always been that persons with requisite qualifications are not available. Government have now asked the K.E.B. to thoroughly examine the entire question and submit a detailed report. Government will take necessary action to see that adequate constitutionally guaranteed opportunities are afforded to SC/ST people in the K.E.B.

SRI MR. SPEAKER.—The questions are over.

QUESTION FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY

(but not taken up)

Delay in Issuing Final Notification revising the Minimum Wages of Beedi Workers.

355 **SRI B.V. KAKKILAYA (Vittal)**—Will the Minister for Labour and Excise be pleased to state:—

(a) when the draft notification revising the minimum wages of Beedi Workers was issued by the Government;

(b) whether the Government have issued the final Notification;

(c) if not, the reasons for delay?

SRI R. S. PATIL (Minister for Labour and Excise)—

(a) 14-2-1978.

(b) No.

(c) The objections and suggestions received will be placed before the State Minimum Wages Advisory Board shortly and the rate of minimum wages will be finalised.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR—ANNOUNCEMENT

MR. SPEAKER :—I have received a message from the Governor of Karnataka which is as follows :

I thank you and the Members of the Karnataka Legislative Assembly for the Motion of Thanks adopted by the Assembly on 29th January 1979 in respect of my Address delivered to the Members of the Legislature on 18th January 1979.

With regards and all good wishes to you and the Members of the Legislative Assembly”

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

MR. SPEAKER :—The Business Advisory Committee at a meeting held on 19th March 1979 have recommended that the House may take up General discussion on Budget Estimates for the Year 1979-80 on 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd and 24th March 1979. On 26th March, the House may take up Voting of supplementary Demands for Grants for the year 1978-79 and voting of Demands for Grants on Account for the year 1979-80. On 27th March the House may take up the Appropriation and Other Money Bills. The Committee have also recommended that the House may adjourn on 27th March and re-assemble on 6th April 1979 to take up the Voting of Demands for Grants and other Legislative Business.

CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

re : Receipt of fresh applications under the land Reforms Act even after disposal of surplus land to the harijans in Chittapur Constituency.

SRI PRABHAKAR TELKAR (Chitapur) :—I call the attention of the Minister for Revenue to the situation that has arisen in Chittapur Constituency due to receiving of fresh applications under the Karnataka Land Reforms Act even after the disposal of the surplus lands to landless Harijan people.

SRI B. BASAVALINGAPPA (Minister for Revenue) :—I wish to make the following statement :

An extent of 1586-37 acres was determined as surplus in Chittapur Constituency and the same was distributed among 333 landless persons.

It is reported that an extent of 741.04 acres out of the above said area pertaining to 122 grantees of surplus land has been claimed by other persons sending applications in Form No. 7 for registration as occupants of the said lands. All these applications in Form No. 7